

1 APPLICATION FOR UNITED STATES LETTERS PATENT

2 ON INVENTION FOR:

3 DEVICE FOR HOLDING A BUCKET OF FROZEN CHUM

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14 TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

15 BE IT KNOWN that I, John L. Tetenes,

16 a citizen of THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and resident of:

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18 have invented certain new and useful improvements in a(n):

19 DEVICE FOR HOLDING A BUCKET OF FROZEN CHUM

20 of which the following is a full, clear, concise and exact

21 description:

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2 Invention: DEVICE FOR HOLDING A BUCKET OF FROZEN CHUM  
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4 BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

5 Field of the Invention:

6 The present invention relates to devices to attract fish.

7 Description of the Prior Art:

8 Numerous innovations for devices and apparatuses to attract fish  
9 have been provided in the prior art that will be described. Even though  
10 these innovations may be suitable for the specific individual purposes to  
11 which they address, however, they differ from the present invention.

12 A FIRST EXAMPLE, U.S. Patent No. 2,241,314 to Mohler teaches in a  
13 device of the character described, a circular pneumatic float of resilient  
14 material, a sack of netting depending from the bottom of the float, and  
15 having a mouth extending around the bottom of the float and detachably  
16 secured to the latter, and a tethering line attached to said float for  
17 anchoring the same, said float having a diametrical slit therein forming  
18 an inlet into said sack.

19 A SECOND EXAMPLE, U.S. Patent No. 2,580,879 to Belokin, Jr. teaches  
20 a collapsible bucket which comprises a foldable, collapsible tubular side  
21 portion, a foldable circular bottom portion disposed at one end of said  
22 side portion, means for joining said side portion and said bottom in  
23 liquid-tight engagement, a collapsible annular, tubular air chamber  
24 disposed at the other end of said side portion, the outermost point of  
25 said chamber being secured to the inner surface of said side portion,  
26 valve means for inflating and deflating said chamber and foldable handle  
27 means attached to said side portion.

1 A THIRD EXAMPLE, U.S. Patent No. 2,600,826 to Allen teaches a bait  
2 container comprising a cylindrical shell having perforations adjacent it  
3 upper end; a continuous angle member surrounding said shell and having  
4 first and second flanges attached to said shell to form an air chamber, a  
5 closure for the upper end of said shell, a receptacle slidably received in  
6 said shell, a pair of arms rising from said receptacle, said closure  
7 having a pair of openings slidably receiving said arms, and a carrying  
8 ball attached to said arms and overlying said closure, said shell being  
9 imperforate below said angle member.

10 A FOURTH EXAMPLE, U.S. Patent No. 3,499,526 to Willinger teaches  
11 this invention is directed to providing a novel fish feeder combination in  
12 which the fish food, the food dispenser and instructions therefore are all  
13 held in a single storage container. The fish food, preferably freeze  
14 dried Tubifex worms, is stored in the lower portion of the two-part  
15 container while the food dispenser or feeder and the instructive material  
16 describing the use of the novel combination are stored in the upper  
17 portion.

18 A FIFTH EXAMPLE, U.S. Patent No. 3,717,124 to Jacobs teaches a fish  
19 culture cage assembly which includes an annular float ring having a  
20 radially inwardly extending flange thereon. The assembly also includes a  
21 foraminous, generally cylindrical cage structure, having an open upper end  
22 and a closed lower end, detachably depending from said flange, and a lid  
23 detachably secured to said float ring and covering the open top of said  
24 cage structure. A cylindrical feeding ring may be detachable suspended  
25 from projections inside the foraminous cage in the upper portion thereof.  
26 The feed ring has a plurality of openings which are substantially smaller  
27 than the openings through the cage, the feed ring being open at its upper  
28 and lower ends.

29 A SIXTH EXAMPLE, U.S. Patent No. 3,974,591 to Ray teaches a  
30 perforated chum holder and dispenser is formed in two hingedly connected  
31 half sections having snap locking means, whereby the device may be closed  
32 around either a fishing line float for top fishing or a line sinker for

1 bottom fishing. The opposite ends of the device are grooved to receive a  
2 fishing line or leader with a coacting locking element.

3 A SEVENTH EXAMPLE, U.S. Patent No. 4,570,374 to Baxley teaches a  
4 floating fish receptacle for retaining caught fish in a live condition  
5 under water includes a molded foam, generally cylindrical housing member  
6 which includes as part thereof in unitary construction a floatation collar  
7 outwardly extending from the outside diameter surface and a pair of baffle  
8 members inwardly extending from the inside surface. The baffle members  
9 are arranged in an axially (vertically) separated relationship and are  
10 radially spaced 180 degrees apart so as to create a zig zag slide action  
11 for fish which are dropped through the top opening of the housing. As the  
12 fish enters, it strikes one downwardly and inwardly inclined surface of  
13 one baffle member and then is transferred to the corresponding surface of  
14 the other baffle member and then on through to a mesh bag which is  
15 suspended therebelow for retention of the fish. The top opening of the  
16 housing is above the water level while the opposite and lower opening of  
17 the housing member is below the water level. The mesh bag is secured  
18 around this lower opening so as to insure that the mesh bag is below water  
19 at all times that fish are stored therein. The baffle members are  
20 removable from the main housing as is the mesh bag. Consequently, the main  
21 housing member may be used in combination with the mesh bag without the  
22 baffle members and the mesh bag may be used independently of the housing  
23 member.

24 AN EIGHTH EXAMPLE, U.S. Patent No. 4,903,429 to Tetenes teaches a  
25 device to attract fish is provided and consists of a bucket held within a  
26 net suspended downwardly from a float into a body of water. The bucket  
27 holds frozen fish chum so that open top of the bucket is at right distance  
28 below water allowing pieces of defrosted fish chum to be dispensed from  
29 the bucket and float on the water to attract the fish.



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1            A MARSHALLING OF REFERENCE NUMERALS UTILIZED IN THE DRAWING

2        10        device for holding a bucket 12 of frozen chum 14  
3        12        bucket  
4        14        frozen chum  
5        16        body of water  
6        18        cylindrical containing component  
7        18a       rectangular sheet of material  
8        20        circular bottom component  
9        22        lower edge of the cylindrical containing component 18  
10       22a       lower edge  
11       24        toroidal sleeve  
12       26        upper edge of the cylindrical containing component 18  
13       26a       upper edge  
14       28        drawstring  
15       32        two side edges  
16       34        appropriate thread indicated by the stitching lines  
17       36        first plurality of orifices  
18       38        second plurality of orifices in-line  
19       40        longitudinal area  
20       42a       first longitudinal edge  
21       44a       second longitudinal edge  
22       46        foam flotation element  
23       48        stitching, indicated by dotted circle  
24       50        circumference  
25       52        dotted line for stitching on rectangular sheet of material 18a  
26                near the lower edge 22  
27       54        welting  
28       56        rope component  
29       58        stitching  
30       60        edges of welting 54

1                    DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT

2            Referring now to the figures, in which like numerals indicate like  
3 parts, and particularly to figures 1 and 2, which shows views of the  
4 device 10 for holding a bucket 12 of frozen chum 14 submerged in a body of  
5 water 16. The device 10, has a cylindrical containing component 18, with  
6 a circular bottom component 20 permanently attached to a lower edge 22 of  
7 the cylindrical containing component 18. A toroidal sleeve 24 is fixedly  
8 located near an upper edge 26 of the cylindrical containing component 18.  
9 A drawstring 28 cooperating with the upper edge 26 of the cylindrical  
10 containing component 18, is provided for pulling the upper edge closed and  
11 captivating the bucket 12 of chum 14 held within the device 10.

12            As best seen in figure 3, the cylindrical containing component 18 is  
13 fabricated out of a rectangular sheet of material 18a, wherein the  
14 rectangular sheet of material 18a has an upper edge 26a, a lower edge 22a  
15 and two side edges 32. It is to be noted that the upper edge 26a of the  
16 rectangular sheet of material 18a becomes the upper edge 26 of the  
17 cylindrical containing component 18, and the lower edge 22a of the  
18 rectangular sheet of material 18a becomes the lower edge 22 of the  
19 cylindrical containing component 18 when the cylinder containing component  
20 is formed. In fabricating the cylindrical containing component 18 the  
21 rectangular sheet of material 18a has the two side edges 32 stitched  
22 together with appropriate thread indicated by the stitching lines 34. The  
23 rectangular sheet of material 18a has a first plurality of orifices 36  
24 therein for permitting chum matter to pass through and a second plurality  
25 of orifices 38 in-line therein for cooperating with the drawstring 28  
26 threaded therethrough. The rectangular sheet of material 18a has a  
27 longitudinal area 40 extending between the first plurality of orifices 36,  
28 and the second plurality of orifices 38 in-line, for fabricating the  
29 toroidal sleeve 24.

30            The toroidal sleeve 24 is fabricated by stitching 52, along a first  
31 longitudinal edge indicated as 42a of the longitudinal area 40 and along



1 a second longitudinal edge indicated as 44a of the longitudinal area 40,  
2 together. The toroidal sleeve 24 has a foam flotation element 46 inserted  
3 therein and is accordingly so housed within the sleeve 24.

4 As best seen in figure 6, circular bottom component is fabricated  
5 out of sheet material having typically four orifices 36 therein for  
6 permitting chum matter to pass therethrough and is permanently attached by  
7 stitching, indicated by both dotted circle 48, near a circumference 50  
8 thereof, and dotted line for stitching 52 on rectangular sheet of material  
9 18a near the lower edge 22 of the cylindrical containing component 18.

10 As best seen in figure 8, in order to impart a minimum amount of  
11 rigidity to the device 10, a welting 54, having a rope component 56  
12 captivated therein, has edges 60 sewn, with stitching 58, by accordingly  
13 inserting the edges 60 prior to sewing, in between the circumference of  
14 the circular bottom component and the lower edge of the cylindrical  
15 containing component.

16 It is to be noted that there are many materials which would be  
17 suitable to utilize for the sheet material when fabricating the device 10,  
18 and while it is not to be construed that plastic is the only suitable  
19 material certainly such would be an appropriate choice. It is also to be  
20 realized that while the word stitching has been continuously used through  
21 out this disclosure as the mechanism for securing components together that  
22 this should be broadly interpreted to include various other securement  
23 processes, namely to mention just two, such as heatsealing and riveting.  
24 Accordingly it is not the intent to limit the scope of this disclosure to  
25 any particular means of joining components together.

26 It will be understood that each of the elements described above, or  
27 two or more together, may also find a useful application in other types of  
28 constructions differing from the types described above.

29 While the invention has been illustrated and described as  
30 embodiments of a device for holding a bucket 12 of frozen chum, however,  
31 it is not limited to the details shown, since it will be understood that  
32 various omissions, modifications, substitutions and changes in the forms

1 and details of the device illustrated and its operation can be made by  
2 those skilled in the art without departing in any way from the spirit of  
3 the present invention.

4 Without further analysis, the foregoing will so fully reveal the  
5 gist of the present invention that others can, by applying current  
6 knowledge, readily adapt it for various applications without omitting  
7 features that, from the standpoint of prior art, fairly constitute  
8 characteristics of the generic or specific aspects of this invention.

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